Service (IPS) powers are exercised by the Ministry of Home Affairs and for Indian Forest Service (IFS) by the Ministry of Environment & Forests. Information in regard to the three All India Services for the years 2000-2002 is as follows:

Indian Administrative Service

The Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions has issued sanction for prosecution under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 in 30 cases against IAS officers and charge sheet for major penalty proceedings under the All India Services (Discipline & Appeal) Rules 1969 against 3 officers for misconduct committed while serving under the Central Government. For the same period, penalty of dismissal/compulsory retirement has been imposed in 3 cases.

Indian Police Service

Ministry of Home Affairs has informed that 76 IPS officers have been cnargesheeted during the above period.

Indian Forest Service

Ministry of Environment & Forests have informed that CBI has sought sanction for prosecution against two IFS officers.

(c)The All India Services (Conduct) Rules, 1968, which regulate the conduct of the officers have been framed to ensure that members of the Services maintain high standards of public morality and integrity. Members of the Services violating the provisions of the said rules are liable for action under the All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules 1969.

Cases pending in CAT

854. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases filed in the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) during last three years;

(b) the number of cases settled in those years;

(c) the details of the cases pending at the moment;

(d) the steps taken to clear the backlog; and

(e) tbe details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) 76,530 cases were filed in CAT during last three years (2000-2002 calender years).

(b) 92,865 cases were settled during those years (2000-2002 calender years).

(c) 30,771 cases are pending in CAT as on 31.01.2003.

(d) and (e) The functioning of the CAT is independent of Government. However, efforts are made by the Government to fill up the vacant posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Members as expeditiously as possible. On account of this and steps taken by the Central Administrative Tribunal itself for expeditious disposal of cases, the pendency has been reduced from 47889 as on 31.12.1999 to 30771 cases as on 31.01.2003.

Kendriya Bhandars in Delhi

†855. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kendriya Bhandars situated at Gole Market area are not being supplied rice regularly and resultantly consumers have to face the difficulties;

(b) whether Government are aware that the employees of the Kendriya Bhandars at Gole Market and Kali Bari prepare underweighing packets of the every commodity and even the rice for the ratio is also sold in the open market in packets; and

(c) what action Government propose to take against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) No such complaint regarding non-availability of rice in Kendriya Bhandar stores in Gole Market Area has come to the notice of Kendriya Bhandar.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.